concentration of Germans on the left bank of the Vistula obliged the Russians to retire on a line of defence which runs in great danger, as strong Russian reen-they are fighting desperately to hold the Germans until reenforcements can be Germans until reenforcements can be brought up and they can oppose at least equal numbers to the masses of Germans. Apparently the Germans have concen-trated 750,000 men in the area northwest

days the Russians will be able to renew the offensive, and that if Von Hindenburg cannot reach Warsaw in that short period be will have lost the last above. he will have lost his last chance situation is summarized by the Army
Messenger as follows:
"Persistent attacks by great masses of

"Persistent attacks by great masses of German troops have compelled a regrouping of our army west of Warsaw. The enemy is suffering heavy losses in his offensive against the Kazunpolski-Toresin-Sklerniewice front, where our artillery is repulsing his massed attacks."

Kazunpolski is on the Vistula, sixteen miles northwest of Warsaw. Toresin is twenty miles west of arsaw and Skierniewice is thirty-nine miles southwest of the Polish capital, so that the German line from Krosno to the south of the

the Polish capital, so that the German line runs in a reversed arc. The great for-tress of Novo Georgievsk defends Warsaw from an attack at the northwest and is across the Vistula from Kazunpolski.

The events of the past few days have The events of the past rew days have clouded the situation in southwestern Poland, in front of Cracow. An official report issued in Vienna states that the Russians have begun a general retreat in Galicia and were defeated in a battle at Limanovo, which is on the Sandec Pass in the Carpathians. The new offensive claimed by the Austrians is reported to be the result of the arrival from the Carpathians of troops that had served in Servia, to-

gether with new levies brought from Austria and Hungary.

This report is contradicted by unofficial news from Petrograd, which says that the Austrians who attempted to swarm down the Carpathian slopes were intercepted and defeated by the Russians, who were prepared for the move and had distributed troops in the narrow valleys. In this area, as in Poland, it will take days to clear up the situation and to determine whether or not the Russians have been compelled to raise the siege of Cracow and to with-draw once more to eastern Galicia.

In Petrograd to-day Emperor Nicholas, returning from Trans-Caucasia, summoned the Imperial Council to meet him at the Tsarskoe-Selo Palace. The session lasted two hours. At its conclusion Minister of War Soukhomlinoff remained with the Emperor for some time.

RUSSIAN AVALANCHE.

Cathering Great Force to Sweep Germans From Poland.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Dec. 18 .- The Daily Mail cor-

restion of which could fling the larger right of numbers into the line.
"The military journal, Russky Invalid,

speaks reassuringly and with special knowledge. It says: "'Our forces are increasing not merely day by day but hour by hour. Soon our avalanche of troops will begin to sweep the enemy back to the frontiers and us much further as may be necessary." Already the pursuit of the army routed

near Mlava has carried the Russian ad-vance across the frontier, where it has rounded up large numbers of stragglers and captured guns and transports.

GERMANS QUIT LODZ?

Report That Town Wouldn't Serve as Base of Operations,

Petrograp, Dec. 18.—A newspaper here quotes a high authority as stating that the Germans have evacuated Lodz, having found that the town would not serve as a base of operations.

It is believed the German plan to cap-ture the right bank of the Vistula and then advance from Mlaya and exert pressure on the left bank has completely

CRACOW IS THE PIVOT.

Silesian Invasion.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS. LONDON, Dec. 19.—The Times cor-respondent at Petrograd, telegraphing

under Friday's date, says: under Friday's date, says:

"We are unable yet to follow the events which are now developing in the northern Carpathian valleys. All we can say is that there is the greatest animation in Lemberg and among the Russian troops in Galicia at the prospect of finally crushing the foe. Nor is definite information. tion forthcoming yet regarding the new point of attack of Von Hindenburg's in-vasion of Poland. The fruitlessness of the efforts to break through the Russian lines on the Bzura must have suggested to him the advisability of action elsewhere, probably further south and presumably in the region of Wielun. Whether the expected blow from that point will be directed against Warsaw or Kielce must be a matter of specula-

'In appraising the strategical merits of the enemy's moves on the Russian front, it should be remembered that the

restablishment of credit, temporarily embarassed by the war, as the most pressing from, it should be remembered that the real objective is not the possession of Warsaw or the relief of Przemysl but the prevention of a Russian invasion of Silesia. This explains the feverish activity of the German high command and its apparent inability to stick to a consecutive plan of operations. Ahe Russian and Allied plans are well served by this; the enemy comes out to be destroyed instead of waiting in the trenches.

"But all efforts can only stave off the day of reckoning. The Russian armies are within a stone's throw of the Silesian border north of Cracow, which is the real pivot about which all operations at present are developing. The desperate flanking moves on the Brura and from the Carpathians only serve to indicate that the Russians hold the pivot firmly, from which in good time it will sweep the flanking columns off the road and advance into the heart of Germany."

The treasury bonds. This was in frequency to indicate that the covernment on December 3 authorized an increase to a total of 1,400,000,000 francs (\$188,000,000). The total National Defense is subscribed for now surpasses

SHELIS THEIR HARVEST NOW.

VICTORY QUESTIONED. (\$280,000,000). The total National Defense 5s subscribed for now surpasses 1,000,000,000 francs (\$200,000,000).

"Vorwaerts" of Berlin Doesn't Think the Bank of France, under the law of November 11, 1911, advanced to the Gov-Russians Are Crushed.

Russians Are Crushed.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

London, Dec. 18.—While all the news
from Poland does not make clear the object of the operations there, there is nothing from German sources even to show upon what ground such triumphant demonstrations are being held in Berlin.

A great Russian defeat is alleged and the demonstrations are being field in Bernh.

A great Russian defeat is alleged and the organ of the officials states that the Russians are everywhere in retreat, but does not specify what tangible results have been salved.

Vorwaerts is the solitary exception to the chorus of triumph made up by the German press. It says:
"To speak of an annihilating defeat of the Russians is a ridiculous and mislead-

Austrians Storm Petrokow, Says Official Statement

trated 750,000 men in the area northwest of Warsaw and moved so rapidly that they forced the withdrawal of a Russians force of probably 300,000. The Russians are playing for time. Despatches from Petrograd assert that within two or three days the Russians will be able to renew Main Resistance Broken.

RUSSIANS IN RETREAT ON 250 MILE FRONT

The Russian main forces were de-feated and are being pursued along the entire battlefront of 250 miles from Kresno to the south of the River Bzura.

Yesterday the enemy was driven from positions north of the Carpa-thians, between Krosno and Zahlienitz. On the Lower Dunajec we and our ally's forces are contending with

In South Poland our advance has been made so far without important fighting. Petrokow was stormed the day before yesterday, and Przedborz vesterday. the enemy's rearguard.

The situation in the Carpathians Ine situation in the Carpathians is not yet substantially changed.

An earlier official statement given out in Vienna was as follows:

The latest news permits of no fur-

The latest news permits of no fur-ther doubt that the resistance of the Russian main force has been shattered. After the defeat of the southern wing in the battle of Lima-novo, which lasted several days, our allies also gained a victory near

The Russians are now completely

The Russians are now completely routed on the River Bzura.

Threatened by our advance across the Carpathians from the south, the enemy began a general retreat, which they are trying to cover by stubborn righting in the regions before the Car-

pathians.
Our troops are attacking on the line of Grodno-Zakliczyu.
Along the other parts of the front the pursuit has begun.

PURSUIT VIGOROUS.

ing Up Russians.

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 18 .- The pursuit of the Russians in Poland is being

The fighting in Nieuport continues favorable, but no decision yet has been reached.

The French attacks between La Bassee and Arras and on both sides of the River Somme have resulted in failure with severe losses to the enemy. On the Somme the French lost 1,200 .men in prisoners and at least 1,800 in dead; our own losses were under 200.

In the Argonne forest our success.

ful attacks resulted in the capture of some 750 prisoners in addition to war material. There have been no

province and that the entire population has fled to the interior of Germany. "The Germans are attempting a new

"Three hundred and fifty thousand Ger

made on the Russian lines along the Bzura because the great frosts are near and it will be impossible for the Germans

ernment for mobilization expenses 2,900,-

Rig Loan for Paris.

ise the Vistula from Thorn for pur-

of transport. Very soon the Rus-

important developments elsewhere on on the frontiers of East and West Prussia the situation is unchanged.
In Poland we continue to pursue the retreating enemy.

FRANCIS JOSEPH ANGRY.

Determined to Court-Martial Potiorek, Commander in Servia.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN Vienna, via Rome, Dec. 18.—Emperor Francis Joseph summoned Count Berchtold, the Premier of the dual monarchy, to the palace to-day and had a long secret conference with him in regard to

the reverse in Servia.

The Emperor is said to be very indignant over the Austrian defeat by the Servians and is determined that Gen. Potlorek, the commander in chief of the forces in this operation, shall be re-lieved of his command and court-martialled, despite the fact that the in-vasion of Servia was planned and urged by the German Staff.

HIT AT YELLOW BOOK.

View of French Paper,

Berlin, via Amsterdam and London.

Dec. 18.—The following statement regarding the French Yellow Book was issued by the official press bureau to-day:

"The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zewung,

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December 12 confirming the Austremann in the Austremann commenting on the French Yellow Book, copies of which have just been received, says that it consists of documents obclously selected and prepared to prove "The army is now practically non-

Von Hindenburg Personally Reports on Victory in Poland,

By Central News.

The Lokalanzeiger in commenting on

THE BRINDILLA LEAVES AZORES; BRITISH WATCH

and rapid movement by crowding their flank between Sochaczow and the Vistula. They evacuated Lodz and brought a great part of their army into this region. Neither army now sets any value on Lodz. Standard Oil Tank Must Prove mans are now in the region of Sochaczow.

Marshal von Hindenburg is still driving
his men through flow to the left bank of That Cargo Goes to Neu-"Incessant and violent attacks are being trals Only.

> Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN St. Michael's, Azores, Dec. 17 (Delayed).-The American tank steamer displeasure.

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without faltering.

When the war began, he said, the French Treasury had not taken any precautions to enable it adequately to meet the expenses involved. He pointed to this as one of the proofs that France did not want war and that hostilities were thrust upon her.

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Is more than likely that the Brinding Will be halted soon after she passes the three mile limit.

Complaint to Premier Viviani.

reestablishment of credit, temporarily embarassed by the war, as the most pressing need, and that this intricate system of MOTTA IS SWISS PRESIDENT.

SHELLS THEIR HARVEST NOW.

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CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 18 .- Seventy car-



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HALF OF AUSTRIAN ARMY LOST IN SERVIA

Letter From Budapest Says Defeat Has Aroused. Nation.

London, Dec. 19.—The Morning Post crick were responsible.

viously selected and prepared to prove that Russia did not provoke the war, to place the responsibility on Germany, to create dissension between Germany and Austria, and to turn neutral nations, especially Holland and Denmark, against Germany.

"It can be stated that the pretended official German secret report concerning the increase in the German army, which the Prench War Minister is said to have garians are now mounting guns in Sembla 1. The losses in killed and deserted and as silent as a tomb. Hundred for the force them to stand the latter force t

the French War Minister is said to have garians are now mounting guns in Semback. We traversed 150 miles into the panic in the residents there. received in March, 1913, is only a clumsy lin to protect Hungary from a Servian northwest corner of Servia. respondent in Petrograd telegraphs:
"Russian reenforcements are rolling into Poland in a steady flow. The issue of the fighting between the Vistula and the Bzura rivers, west of Warsaw has depended for the last ten days on the Bzura rivers, of the repulsed in Flanders. It follows:

NEWS PHONED TO KAISER.

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Von Hindenburg Personally Reports likely. Only about half of the Austro- through were utterly deserted. In every were in a state of starvation and exhaus- with bullets, which had been execution Details of Austrian Defeat Show to tion after being constantly pursued and places. The Austrian and Hungarian furiously shelled by the triumphant officers denied that they executed women

the Russian defeat says: "After the "will be a victim because he consisted battles of Tannenburg and the Mazurlan to the withdrawal of a part of the army." wept. There have been angry popular demonstrations at Budapest, Prague and elsewhere in defiance of the prohibition. In the riots at Prague 290 were arrested and will be court-martialled and shot unless the authorities at Vienna recoil from the consequences.

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the consequences.

"Count Tisza, the Hungarian Premier, answering a question regarding the Russian invasion, said in Parliament that an invasion concerned the peoples and armies of both Germany and Austro-Hungary, but that if the combined General Staff did not realize its importance independent Hungary would make it her own affair and would find means to concentrate the Hungarians now fighting abroad to defend their own homes.

"The speech was widely applauded by the Opposition equally with the Ministerialists. It has had a bewildering effect in Vienna, whither the Emperor suammoned Count Tisza and expressed great."

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FRENCH FINANCES STRONG.

Nation Has Resources to Continue
War to End. Says M. Ribot.

Paris, D.c. 18.—In explaining the budget for 1913 to the Appropriations Committee of the Chamber of Deputies to-day M. Ribot, Minister of Finance, said that the financial position of France was strong and that the nation would not lack resources to continue the war to the end without faltering.

With a cargo of 1,600,000 gallons of petroleum and benzine, which she had transshipped from the German steamer Excelsion, which sought the shelter of this port on the outbreak of war.

Both ships as well as the cargo are the property of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, but before the Brindilla can get out of sight of the Azores she will have to satisfy a British fleet that the oil is not intended for her enemies. It is consigned to the Danish Petroleum Company of Copenhagen, which is controlled by the Standard Oil Company.

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Complaint to Premier Viviani.

Special Cable Despatch to Tun Sun Special Cable Despatch to The SUN.

Paris, Dec. 18.—Journalist members of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, M. Clemenceau presiding, MM. Roche and Dupuy as vice-presidents, and M. Beranger as secretary, met again to-day to draw up a letter to Premier Viviani in connection with the censorship.

They refer particularly to the administrative side of the censorship, and refer to the announcement by the Paris papers that two journalists have been appointed to the English press bureau. to the English press bureau.

The Journalists here express envy for their British confreres, who have the

ROBERT LORAINE BETTER.

British Aviator Says German Air

Missiles for 18 Cents Apiece.

Paris, Dec. 18.—Many peasants whose customary pursuits have been interfered was recovering.

AUTOS TO RUSSIA VIA SIBERIA. | CREPE ON CHAIRS IN CHAMBER. Seventy Carloads of Trucks Will Go French Legislators to Mourn Mem-

PARIS. Dec. 18.-The seats of one Sen-

Austrian Retreat From Servia Described As Rout

Correspondent With Defeated Army Says Men Were Driven Insane by Horrors of Flight-Alarm Reaches Budapest and Vienna

RENEWS CHARGES OF OUTRAGES ON SERVIANS

wagons and wrecks of men driven insane ing. We had taken part in a retreat—nopelessly mad by the suffering they endured.

The day we left a terrific blizzard

horrible scenes of the war.

I had come to see the Servian campaign after many weeks with the Austrian army in Galicia, where I had seen its heroic attack and defence against the Russians. I had seen the Austrians bearing up heroically under lack of beariest. ing up heroically under lack of hospital supplies. But this Servian campaign was The alarm felt by the population at "Clumsy Invention," Is German HUNGARY MAY ACT ALONE different. Perhaps the long smouldering Budapest was also to be noted in Vienna

but admitted the execution of hundreds AMSTERDAM, Dec. 18.—A despatch from
Berlin says Field Marshal von Hindenberg personally telephoned yesterday

The writer quotes descriptions by officers of the horrors of the flight; the men,
berg personally telephoned yesterday

worn beyond endurance, abandoned their

The writer quotes descriptions by officers of the horrors of the flight; the men,
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By the United Press.

London, Dec. 18.—The route of retreat of the Austrian army from Servia is a path of horror. It is a path marked by the bodies of dead and dying, of wrecked the bodies of dead and dying, of wrecked covered that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked the wagons we were loaded on a train wagon trains filled the roads. There were made men and wounded, and then we discovered that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked the wagons we were loaded on a train wagon trains filled the roads. There were made men and wounded, and then we discovered that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked the wagon trains filled the roads. There were made men and wounded, and then we discovered that the Servians were advanced by the bodies of dead and dying of wrecked the wagon trains filled the roads.

endured.

I was with the Austrian army in its precipitous retreat from Servia. I saw this army transformed almost in a day from that of a force of conquerors to a helpiess, staggering, disorganized mass of men. The retreat from Servia was a rout. After having spent weeks in B-l-gium and France, having seen the German army in the field and for weeks in the major of his own regiment riding by in the retreat. The lieutenant called to man army in the field and for weeks in the retreat. The lieutenant called to watched fighting at Przemysl, it was in little Servia that I witnessed the most discharged his revolver at the wounded man, hitting him in the leg. When the

Vienna Echoes Alarm.

hatred of Servia and the belief that Servian plotters had arranged and carried out the assassination of Archduke Frederick were responsible.

Hidapest was also to be noted in Vienna. The city was flooded with homeless refugees from Galicia. When I left Vienna on December 4 coal was being doled out to citizens in fifteen pound lots and carried home by them in taxicabs

Losses Were Great.

correspondent at Nish sends further de-The Austrian disaster in Service FEW WOUNDED FRENCHMEN DIE berg personally telephoned yesterday morning to the Kaiser the news of the Russian defeat in Poland.

The Austrian desister in Selvice and surrendered.

The Austrian troops in the vicinity of stretched a rope from this pole, forced resistance and surrendered.

FEW WOUNDED FRENCHMEN DIE.

The Austrian troops in the vicinity of stretched a rope from this pole, forced the Servicin to sit on a challenge of 3.48 Less Than Ever "Gen. Potiorek," the writer continues, the Serb victim to sit on a chair and then Servians have established their positions on "Gen. Potiorek, the writer continues, the "will be a victim because he consisted about the Serb's neck be knocked the buried Austrian dead have been found by the Servians on the line of the Ausing the casualties of the French are trian retreat and prisoners taken by the Servians say that the casualties in killed from wounds is less proportionately

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Special Cable Despatch to Tu. S. Rome, Dec. 18 .- Prince von itudow, ; prints another Hungarian letter dated
December 12 confirming the AustroHungarian debacle in Servia. The letter
says:

"The army is now practically nonexistent. The losses in killed and selected and as silent as a tomb. Hungarian charges in Servia as a tomb. Hungarian charges in Servia are not helping them. The Hungarians declaring the Kaiser's forces are not helping them. The Hungarians the Austrians mercilessly criticise the Germans, declaring the Kaiser's forces are not helping them. The Hungarians the Austrians mercilessly criticise the Germans, declaring the Kaiser's forces are not helping them. The Hungarians the Austrians mercilessly criticise the Germans, declaring the Kaiser's forces are not helping them. The Hungarians the Austrians mercilessly criticise the Germans, declaring the Kaiser's forces are not helping them. The Hungarians the Austrians the Austrians the Au

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Service Is Dwindling. Special Cable Despatch to Tun Sus. hat of French Peasants Sell Unexploded on a brief holiday in England said to-day that he chatted last week with Robert

with by the war are devoting their time to gathering unexploded shells on the battle-field.

The French military authorities are paying 18 cents apiece for these shells.

Was recovering.

The aviator remarked on the dwinding number and declining, combativeness of the German aeroplanes, which, the chaplais said, entirely agrees with the observation of British and French officers.

bers Killed in War.

SERBS' VICTORY GROWS.

Paris, Dec. 18 .- The Havas Agency

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